		(ii) After expiry of this mining lease on 18.07.2005, the same was further renewed for a period of 10 years with effect from 19.07.2007.
2.	Diversion of 68.50 ha of forest land in Sy. N0.1 & 2 of Bellary RF, Kalyandurg Range in Ananthapur District.	The approval was accorded by the MoEF under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 on 08.01.2007 in favour of M/s Obulapuram Mining Co. Pvt. Ltd.
3.	Diversion of 39.50 ha. of forest land in Compt. No. 695 of Bellary RF, Kalyandurg Range in Ananthapur District.	The approval was accorded by the MoEF under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 on 05.10.2006 in favour of M/s Obulapuram Mining Co. Pvt. Ltd.

Reduction of green house gases

1263. SHRIMATI PREMA CARIAPPA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken to reduce the green house gases to protect our environment; and

(b) the situation and the steps taken in other countries which have to be introduced in our country to reduce the green house effect?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA): (a) The Government of India is a Party to Kyoto Protocol to the UNFCCCC and has set up the National Clean Development Mechanism Authority to accord Host Country Approvals (HCA) to eligible CDM projects as per the requirements of Marrakech Accords. India also has the largest number of registered projects as on date under the Clean Development Mechanism (CDM) of the Kyoto Protocol, which reduce net emissions of greenhouse gases. Further, many more projects are in the pipeline.

Although India as a developing country does not have any mitigation commitments, we are following a sustainable development path through range of policies and programmes to mitigate climate change, some of which are:

I. ensuring energy conservation and improved energy efficiency in various sectors as well as setting up of Bureau of Energy Efficiency

II. promoting use of renewable energy

III. power sector reforms and active renewable energy programme

IV. use of cleaner and lesser carbon intensive fuel for transport

V. fuel switching to encourage cleaner energy

VI. afforestation and conservation of forests

VII. promotion of clean coal technologies

VIII. reduction of gas flaring

IX. encouraging Mass Rapid Transport systems

X. environmental quality management for all sectors

(b) Every country adopts policies and measures as per its respective capabilities to reduce GHG emissions. As in the developed countries, India is actively promoting energy efficiency and conservation measures, including introduction of energy efficient lighting. Besides we are encouraging renewable energy and promoting mass rapid transport systems.

Setting up of FACs

1264. SHRI B.K. HARIPRASAD: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Apex Court has been monitoring, through a Central Empowered Committee constituted for the purpose, cases relating to encroachment of jungles and mismanagement by the State forest departments;

(b) whether Government have pleaded for the review of constituting the Central Empowered Committee by the Apex Court and to revert back the powers to the States including setting up of Forest Advisory Committees to look into such cases; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY): (a) No Sir. However, the Central Empowered Committee (CEC) has been constituted by the Hon'ble Supreme Court by order dated 09.05.2002 for the purpose of monitoring of implementation of Hon'ble Court's orders and to place the non-compliance cases before it, including in respect of encroachment removals, implementation of working plans, compensatory afforestation, plantation and other conservation issues.

(b) and (c) No Sir.

Norms for proper rehabilitation and settlement

1265. SHRIMATI HEMA MALINI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have decided to list out villages to be shifted out of tiger parks;

(b) if so, the norms for prioritizing villages for shifting out, State-wise; and

(c) whether Government have framed. any norms for proper rehabilitation and settlement for the affected villagers so that they can have better livelihood?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY): (a) As recommended by the Tiger Task Force constituted by the National Board for Wildlife, action has been initiated for